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INFORMATION REPORT

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COUNTRY	Czechoslovakia		REPORT		
SUBJECT	Rude Pravo		DATE DISTR.	21	July 1954
			NO. OF PAGES	3	25X1
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Policy and Layout

- 1. The group directly responsible for the policy and the layout of <u>Rude Pravo</u> is the Editorial Committee, which consists of the senior editors, department chiefs, and members of the Political Secretariat of the paper. The committee meets daily from 8 to 10 a.m. to decide upon the material to be published each day, and weekly to discuss and decide upon the "weekly plan" of the paper.
- Rude Pravo has a writing staff of approximately 250 to 300 persons who work from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day. Writers prepare the articles and then submit their manuscripts to the chief of their particular column. After the chief has read the article, the writer reads it aloud in the presence of the editors of the column. If there are no mistakes, the manuscript then goes to the Editorial Committee for approval. From there it is forwarded to a department which checks all dates, names, and other facts which appear in the article. It is then sent to the printing department, where proofs are made and checked over by a proof-reader who returns it to the chief of the column. The article is examined once again by a member of the Editorial Committee and then goes to the censor for final approval.
- The paper itself has four or five editions, each one destined for a different part of the country. Each edition carries the local news of the area to which it is sent. The paper goes to print at 8 p.m. every day on four rotary printing presses which work simultaneously on the various editions. The first edition of the paper, destined for Slovakia, leaves the packing department and is ready to be dispatched at 9 p.m.

Physical Plant

4. The editorial offices and the printing presses of Rude Pravo are located in a sixstory building belonging to the Svoboda publishing house. The ground floor of

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this building is occupied by the packing department, where newspapers are passed on from the printing presses and prepared for dispatch to various parts of the country. All packers are women. The first floor is occupied by two paperstencil machines and four positive lead-casting machines, while the second floor is a storage room for various materials used for the printing presses. The third floor contains 12 linotype machines of American manufacture, and the fourth floor consists of lithograph workshops, where all stencils and photographs are prepared. The offices of the editors, the Political Secretariat, and a conference room are located on the fifth floor, while the sixth floor contains the newspaper archives and additional editorial offices. The presses are located in the basement of the building, two floors underground.

5.	The four rotary printing presses	25X
	8	are reputedly capable of a 25X
	collective output of one million copies of Rude Pra	avo every three hours.

Security

Entry to the main building is checked at the main entrance by an armed doorman. He checks the identity cards of all visitors to the building and fills in an entry slip after having first received by telephone the approval of the respective Rude Pravo official whom the visitor wishes to see. The visitor is again identified by a second doorman stationed at a glass door leading into a courtyard. Visitors then may cross the courtyard to the main building. Doormen are on duty at all hours.

	Personalities	
7.	Gustav Bares, former editor of Rude Pravo and Tvorba.	25X1 25X1
8.	Vojtech Dolejsi, a member of the Editorial Committee of Rude Pravo	25X1 25X1
9•	Vilem Novy, formerly editor-in-chief of Rude Prevo	25X1 25X1

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